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SUBJECT: VOLTAN INTEREST IN COMSAT

1. GOUV INVITED COMSAT GENERAL CORPORATION TO OUAGADOUGOU FOR DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM. COMSAT HAD PREVIOUSLY VISITED UPPER VOLTA IN SPRING OF 1973.

2. COMSAT REPS JOHN JENKINS AND ROBERT BROWN BRIEFED EMBOFF ON STATUS THEIR TALKS WITH OFFICIALS AT MINPTT. VOLTANS WOULD LIKE COMSAT ORGANIZE EARTH STATION WHICH COULD TIE-IN WITH INTELSAT SYSTEM. VOLTANS TOLD REPS THEIR GOAL IS TO HAVE INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND NOT HAVE TO DEPEND ON FRANCE OR IVORY COAST FOR OUTSIDE LINES.

3. COMSAT IS INTERESTED AND HAS PROPOSED PROFITABILITY AND SITE LOCATION STUDY. THIS STUDY WILL UPDATE COMSAT'S PREVIOUS ECONOMIC VIABILITY ANALYSIS DONE FOR VOLTANS IN APRIL 1973. ESTIMATED PRICE TAG FOR ENTIRE PACKAGE INCLUDING RECEIVING/TRANSMITTING EQUIPMENT IS DOLS 3.5 MILLIONS. VOLTANS EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE AT OBTAINING WORLD BANK FINANCING FOR PROJECT.

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